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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX PATENT APPLICATIONS**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reference to the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendment and consider the accompanying remarks prior to examination thereof on the merits.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A composite element which has the following layer structure:

- (i) from 2 to 20 mm of metal,